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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

**AKHILESWAR GANESH  
VAIDYANATHAN ET. AL.**

CASE NO.: CL1666USNA

SERIAL NO.: 09/851,674

GROUP ART UNIT: 1631

FILED: MAY 09, 2001

EXAMINER: LIN

FOR: METHOD OF DISCOVERING PATTERNS IN SYMBOL SEQUENCES

**Preliminary Amendment**Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**Introductory Comments**

Sir:

This paper accompanies the Request for Continuing Examination filed contemporaneously herewith.

The entry of this amendment and consideration of the amended claims is requested.

**Authorization to Charge Deposit Account**

Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 04-1928, Deposit Account Name: E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company.